

ZC Elementary School supply list

Kindergarten	& crayon bag Book bag (needed daily) Ziploc bags (1 quart and 1 sandwich size) 1 Composition Notebook
2 Standard Size Pencils	
Elmer's White Glue (No paste)	
Blunt-end Scissors (Fiskars are best)	
Construction Paper (Assorted Papers)	or more sheets Pencils One ruler 1 package of construction paper 3 pocket folders Scissors 1 book bag 1 small box for crayons No trapper keepers
Nap Pad	
2 Writing Tablets	2 composition books (single subject perforated) Plastic pencil keeper or zip lock bag
Book Bag	NO TRAPPER KEEPERS. No pencil boxes
Boys: Bring quart size zip lock bags Girls: Gallon size zip lock bags	
Please put your child's name on all supplies.	
First Grade	
\$2.00 for tablet paper 2 or 3 pencils and erasers Crayons (not over 24) Blunt Scissors Elmer's Glue	1 package of wide ruled notebook paper Crayons Elmer's Glue 3 composition notebooks with 100
Clean plastic bag with zipper-pencil	



Winners in the Junior Dairy Foods Demonstration at the Dothan District 4-H Roundup, which was held on June 18 at Troy State University in Troy, are: (left to right) 1st Place - Shawn Maldon, Pike County; 2nd Place - Chelsea Weldon, Houston County; 3rd Place - Kala Seay, Kinston.

CSPC and Reebok Announce Recall of Children's Side Zip Sneakers

In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CSPC), Reebok International Ltd., of Stoughton, Mass., is recalling about 140,000 children's side zip sneakers.

The sneaker's side pocket has a pull tab on the zipper that can be twisted off, presenting a choking and ingestion hazard to children.

CSPC and Reebok are not aware of any injuries from these sneakers. This recall is being conducted to prevent the possibility of injury.

The sneakers being recalled are the Reebok Classic Leather Zip, sold in toddler and child sizes up to size 9. Each sneaker has a small zippered pocket on the side. The zipper's pull tab is imprinted with the Reebok name and logo. When unzipped, the Reebok name and logo appear. "Reebok Classic" is on the front of the sneaker's tongue. The sneakers are made in Indonesia and China. The sneakers come in the following colors and styles. The style number is on the back of the sneaker's tongue, just below the "RA" number.

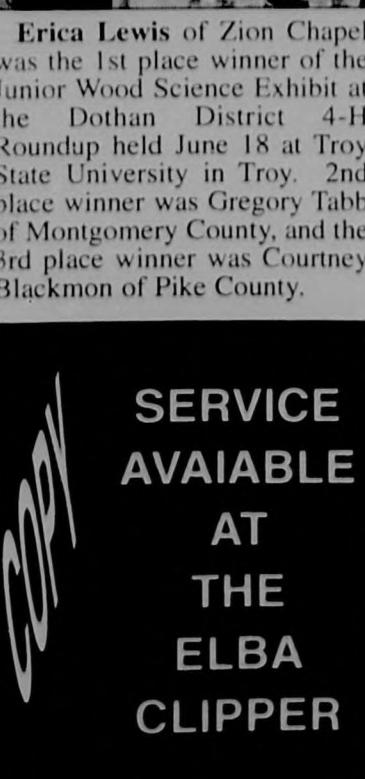
Style number	Toddler sizes	Child sizes	
	Color	Style number	Color
81-46353	White/gold	71-46351	White/gold
81-46354	Black/gold	71-46352	Black/gold
81-46395	White/green	71-46394	White/green
81-47286	White/copper	71-47282	White/copper
81-47287	Black/copper	71-47283	Black/copper
81-47288	White/blue	71-47284	White/blue
81-47289	Black/blue	71-47285	Black/blue
81-48115	White/silver	71-47438	White/silver
81-48116	Black/silver	71-47439	Black/silver
71-49204	White/garnet		

Family shoe, athletic and sporting goods stores nationwide sold the sneakers from September 1998 through June 1999 for about \$32 to \$40.

Consumers should take the sneakers away from their children immediately and return the sneakers to the store where purchased for a refund or exchange. For more information about this recall, consumers should call Reebok at (800) 648-5550 between 9 a.m. and 8 p.m. EDT Monday through Friday or visit their web site at www.reebok.com.



Erica Lewis of Zion Chapel was the 1st place winner of the Junior Wood Science Exhibit at the Dothan District 4-H Roundup held June 18 at Troy State University in Troy. 2nd place winner was Gregory Tabb of Montgomery County, and the 3rd place winner was Courtney Blackmon of Pike County.



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Dr. Rufus Lee
has returned to our Dothan location.
Along with
Dr. Mark Kalenian,
Dr. Lee will see patients as we await the arrival of our new Physician.

To schedule an appointment, please call
(334) 794-2718
1836 West Main Street,
Dothan, AL 36301



Open house at New Brockton Elementary School

New Brockton Elementary School will have an Open House on Tuesday, August 3, from 1-3 p.m. Parents are encouraged to come and meet their child's teacher. Also, please bring your child's school supplies.

4th and 5th Grade
6 pocket folders
5 three-subject spiral notebooks
1 box of colored pencils
1 box of crayons (24 count only)
1 ruler (inch/cm)
1 package of construction paper
1 pair of sharp pointed school scissors
6 No.2 pencils
Wide-ruled paper (extra large package)
School glue

No Trapper Keepers.

No pencil boxes.

Third Grade

1 package of wide ruled notebook paper

Crayons

Elmer's Glue

3 composition notebooks with 100

Clear plastic bag with zipper-pencil

The National Security Group, Inc. declares cash dividend

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EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS
With Ferrin Cox

Ed Richardson is the State Superintendent of Education, in spite of him being assigned a new name by this column last week. Age hasn't improved our actions at all. We know that Richardson went to the state job from one in Auburn and before that he was Superintendent at Andalusia. However, knowing all that didn't prevent us from giving him another name last week. Thanks to an alert reader who called this to our attention.

Courtroom guards will soon be commonplace in Coffee County it appears. Along with that, there will only be one entrance visitors can use to get into the Elba courthouse, rather than the four presently being used. All this is to add required security for the court system after a few nuts around the country decided to shoot up a courtroom to settle their complaint. You can expect to walk through a metal detector at both courthouses (there is one already in the Enterprise courthouse). We understand the one in the Elba courthouse may be installed on what is now the South porch, after it is walled in. Having the installed metal detector in the brand new Enterprise courthouse moved downstairs to check every single person who enters the courthouse, not just those going into the courtrooms, is also being urged. Oh, it will take a full time security person at each courthouse to operate this equipment. That will be either a deputy sheriff or someone from a contract security firm. Who will pay for all this? All of us will have a part in this.

Things are somewhat back to normal in and around Elba this week as the Hollywood film crews have left town. This was quite an experience for Elba folks, as many of us have never been around the actual filming activities. One thing we can verify. Friends have told us about the wait, wait, wait which is associated with such work and now Elba folks know what they mean! It was not unusual to hear some of the locals who were hired as extras on the commercial say they had been sitting for hours just waiting to walk across in front of the camera for a few seconds. Well, anyway they now know one of the big drawbacks to a career as a movie star. Even with the \$100 a day pay, it was awful hot on them.

We got on the tail end of one very heated argument Tuesday morning. Someone had heard a story about a murder in Elba on Monday night and had all the facts except the body to "prove" the story. Alas, without the body the truth prevailed and there was no murder in Elba on Monday night. Well, so much for what was supposed to be a very reliable rumor mill.

Smile and the world will smile with you!

CITY

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initial plans are to move the house to New Brockton.

City Clerk Donnie Morrow said that the sewer project is moving, but slowly. According to Morrow, the contractor is about halfway through with Oak Street in Brookdale, in spite of the abundant supply of water in the sands under the Brookdale area.

Grimes told council members that city crews are continuing to work on the drainage system. He noted they recently found two drains in residential areas which were completely stopped up, but are now flowing freely.

Grimes told council members that over budget is the street department with a \$19,000 overrun. Complaints council members are getting about poor garbage service are being addressed by the company, the mayor said. He reported on a recent meeting he called with home office officials and said he is optimistic they are working to correct the problems.

CCC

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any formal action.

All of Stephens' proposals were "passed" by the commission.

Commissioner Brooks asked that a resolution be passed by the commission establishing a committee to "review all of Stephens' proposals" for the purpose of trying to "find" funds to support rural recreation programs for the county.

He added that if there are no tax funds available, the commission should "look into" other possibilities.

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Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, July 19, 1999, investigated the following incidents: three harassments, one giving false information, one medical misadventure and one vehicle accident.

The following was made during the week one of violation of the noise ordinance.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: one for driving while driver's license is suspended, one for driving while driver's license is revoked, and four for speeding.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows:

MONDAY, JULY 19 - River stage - 6.16 feet (6:20 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence in Dothan (6:27 a.m.).

TUESDAY, JULY 20 - River stage - 6.45 feet (6:25 a.m.); Alarm at a residence on Jackson Street (8:22 a.m.); Routine activity.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 21 - River stage - 5.84 feet (6:46 a.m.); Routine activity.

THURSDAY, JULY 22 - River stage - 5.92 feet (6:46 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to the Elba Water Release Center (9:12 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Waynes Farms (10:44 a.m.); Minor wreck reported in the parking lot at Elba Market Place (11:39 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on Jackson Street (2:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS made a medical transfer from Elba General Hospital to a Dothan hospital (9:04 p.m.); Alarm at a residence on Jackson Street (9:20 p.m.).

FRIDAY, JULY 23 - Shots fired in the vicinity of Toole's Big's (4:21 a.m.); River stage - 6.79 feet (6:31 a.m.); Alarm at Hardee's (10:44 a.m.); Minor wreck reported in the parking lot at Elba Market Place (11:39 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on Jackson Street (2:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS made a medical transfer from Elba General Hospital to Flowers Hospital in Dothan (3:06 p.m.).

SATURDAY, JULY 24 - River stage - 5.73 feet (6:36 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a wreck on Hwy 124 and Cr. Rd. 410 (8:40 a.m.); Coffee County EMS made a medical transfer from Elba General Hospital to Southeast Alabama Medical Center in Dothan (6:27 p.m.); Coffee County EMS made a medical transfer from Elba General Hospital to Flowers Hospital in Dothan (9:26 p.m.).

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows:

SUNDAY, JULY 25 - River stage - 6.16 feet (6:20 a.m.); Coffee County EMS made a medical transfer from Elba General Hospital to Flowers Hospital in Dothan (9:22 p.m.); Routine activity.

ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORT

Elba General Hospital, beginning Monday, July 19, 1999, admitted the following patients admitted during the following period of July 19, 1999 through July 25, 1999. They were: Patricia Watson, James Jones, Meri Mincy, Billy Weeks, Elsie McGaha, Mary E. Jackson, Ethan Tharp, James K. Rodgers, Alma Wise, Trudie Jackson, Celia English, Mary A. Blue, Joyce Johnson, Patricia Watson, Meri Mincy, James Goodwin, Angela Gaffin, Elsie MatGaha, Missy Caldwell, Billy Weeks, Trudie Jackson, Ethel James, Christopher Parish, and Natasha Warren.

Persons discharged during the same time period were: Amber Goodwin, Celia English, James Jones, John Miles, Harold Parker, Geraldine Hudson, Joyce Johnson, Annette Hammonds, Angela Gaffin, Susan Nunn, Ray Hussey, Norma J. Turner, Jafari Cole, Amy Meadows, Mavis Leggar, Roy Henderson, Patricia Watson, Meri Mincy, James Goodwin, Angela Gaffin, Harold Parker, Geraldine Hudson, John Miles, Mozelle McCormick, Margaret Jones, Christopher Parish, and Natasha Warren.

In order to preserve and enhance the health, safety and welfare of all our citizens, I urge all citizens of Elba and surrounding communities to become knowledgeable and

involved in the Emergency Medical Service provided for you. By doing this, you also help yourself.

I have dedicated my life to the care of the sick and injured, and will continue to do so here in Elba, to the best of my ability.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Pierce, Owner
Coffee County EMS

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LIFESTYLES

York-Wyrosdick wedding planned for Saturday, August 21st



Mr. Heath Wyrosdick & Miss Jessica York

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Kimberley
Paige Snell is
five years old

Kimberley Paige Snell celebrated her fifth birthday on July 16, 1999. Her parents are Dale and Theresa Snell of Enterprise (formerly of Elba). She has a younger brother, Austin, 2 1/2 years old.

Bridal Registry
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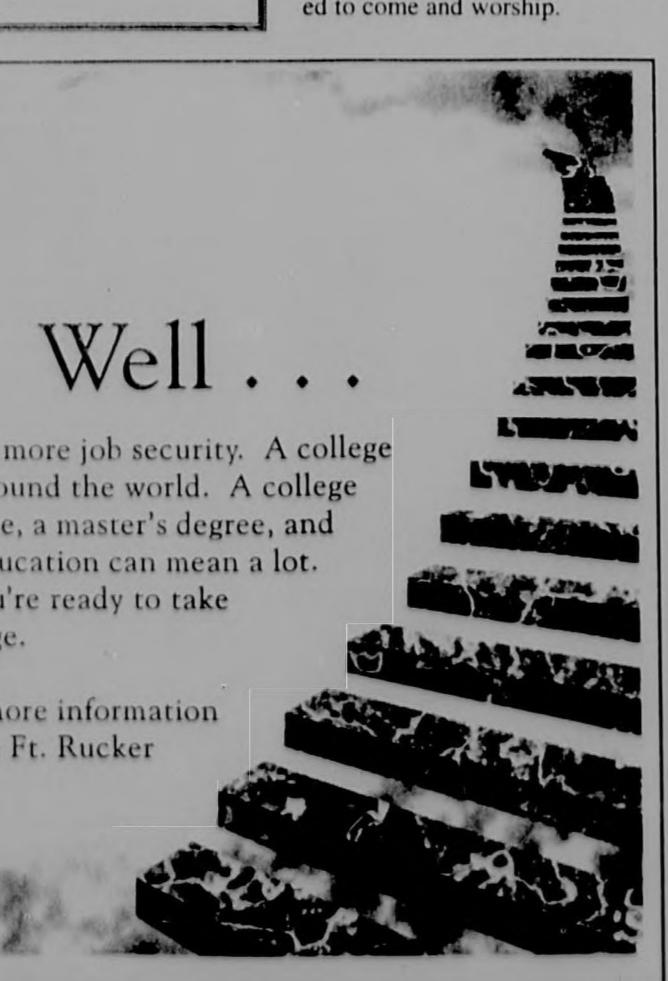
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Headland plans annual
Harvest Day Festival for
October 9th

Headland Chamber of Commerce is making plans for its 28th Annual Harvest Day Festival on Saturday, Oct. 9, around the town's square. Festival activities throughout the day begin with the opening ceremony at 9 a.m. and include live entertainment, rides and games for all ages, arts and crafts, and a juried fine arts show. There is no admission charge to the public for this day of fun.

Vester Cole is ninety-nine

Mr. and Mrs. Robert York of Elba announce the engagement of their daughter, Jessica Sue York, of Elba to Samuel Heath Wyrosdick, son of Kay Harmon and the late Rex Wyrosdick of Elba.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Sam Cuzio of Enterprise. Kenneth and Sue Cain of Atlanta and Glenda York of New Haven, Fla., are a graduate of Elba High School and Enterprise State Junior College where she received an Associates in Arts degree and an Associates in Science degree. She is currently a senior at Troy State University-Dothan, where she is pursuing a Bachelor's degree in business. She is employed in Elba.

The future bridegroom is the grandson of Ms. Kate Macon and the late Harvey Macon. He is a graduate of Elba High School and a 1998 graduate of Jefferson State where he received a degree in mortuary science. He was a member of Sigma Phi Sigma. He currently is employed in Elba.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, Aug. 21, 1999, at 2 p.m. at St. John's Catholic Church in Enterprise.

A reception will follow at the Charleston House. All family and friends are invited to attend.

Mr. Vester Cole of New Brockton was 99 years old yesterday on June 15 and celebrated his birthday with family members at Health South Rehabilitation Center in Dothan. He was in the clinic recuperating from a broken left hip, but according to son Charles, "he is doing okay now, and is up and about."

Medical personnel from the Center provide therapy several times a week, and his wife Flora said, "they plan to take him outside next week — he can walk around inside the house now, change his clothes and do other things for himself, and I think he does well to 99."

Mr. Vester had broken his right hip in 1993, which only then ended his second career with the City of New Brockton.

That hip has a pin in it; the bone was crushed so badly in this left hip that it necessitated the insertion of a ball in the socket, Charles said.

Mr. Vester earned his living as a truck driver, retiring from that job in 1960. The resulting inactivity caused his body to stiffen and require a cane to walk.

"Dr. (Donald) Crook told him,

from 10:30 a.m. until Bring a covered dish and a beverage. Those who wish to bring an item for a door prize or for auction, please do so.

Damascus School Reunion to be held August 14th

The annual Damascus School Reunion will be held Saturday, August 14, at the Coffee County Farm Complex in New Brockton

from 10:30 a.m. until Bring a covered dish and a beverage. Those who wish to bring an item for a door prize or for auction, please do so.

Locklar Reunion to be held in New Brockton August 7th

Center in New Brockton beginning at 10:00 a.m.

A covered dish lunch will be served at noon. Come early and visit with friends and relatives.

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HUDSON WILLIAM WELLS

Mr. and Mrs. James William Wells III (the former Sherry Waldon) announce the birth of their son, Hudson William Wells, born July 9, 1999. He weighed 9 lbs. 6 3/4 oz. and measured 20 3/4 inches long.

His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bill Waldon of Elba, Frances Fountain and the late Dennis Carroll Fountain of Cushing, Texas, Jennifer Wells-Lee of Austin, Texas and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wells of Las Vegas, Nev.

Lamar and Susan Stokes of Straughn, Ala. (formerly of Elba), announce the birth of their "twin" daughters, Hope Elizabeth Stokes and Charity Louise Stokes on July 24, 1999.

Hope Elizabeth was born at 8:27 a.m. and weighed 6 lbs. 1 oz. while "little sister" Charity Louise was born at 8:28 a.m. and weighed 5 lbs. 10 oz.

Maternal grandparents are Doug and Mary Palmer of Straughn, and paternal grandparents are Dianne Duncan of Opp and Winston and Louise Stokes of Elba.

The twins were welcomed home by their three older sisters, Allye, 10, Jessica, 9, and Path, 5.

Disaster Training classes offered by Red Cross

The Coffee County Chapter of the American Red Cross is offering Disaster Training for the citizens of Coffee County and surrounding area. The classes will be conducted at the Coffee County Chapter offices in the Civic Center at 711 Crawford St., Enterprise. The classes to be offered are:

INTRODUCTION TO DISASTER SERVICES - Aug. 3 from 6-9 p.m.

This video-based course will introduce you to disasters, the community response, and the role of Red Cross Disaster Services. We will give you a better understanding of the impact of disasters on people and their communities. You will meet the people who serve in time of disaster, including Red Cross paid and volunteer staff, and see how they work together to meet the needs of people affected by disasters.

MASS CARE - AN OVERVIEW

- Aug. 10 from 6-9 p.m.

This course focuses on the activities of the Mass Care function in a disaster. You will learn about Red Cross Disaster Services, food, sheltering, protection, and mobile feeding units. Distribution and how you can help with Mass Care in your local Red Cross Chapter.

INTRODUCTION TO DISASTER SERVICES is a prerequisite for MASS CARE.

Please call your Coffee County Red Cross Chapter at 347-2461 to register. All Disaster classes are free.

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LIFESTYLES

Miss Strickland and Mr. Minor plan August wedding

NOTICE



Kenny and Rita Strickland of Level Plains announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Melissa Carrie Strickland, to Russell Shane Minor, the son of James and Mary Young of Enterprise.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Cebbie and Pauline Strickland and the late Gene and Verlon Averett, all of Level Plains. She is a 1996 graduate of Enterprise High School and a 1999 graduate of Enterprise State Junior College. She is currently pursuing her computer information systems degree at Troy State University-DOTHAN. She is employed in Ft. Rucker.

The future bridegroom is the grandson of Rander and Agnes Johnson of Elba and Dorothy Young of Glendale, Calif. He is a 1993 graduate of Enterprise High School and a graduate of Sparta State Technical College of Enterprise. He is currently employed in Dothan.

The wedding is planned for Aug. 14, 1999, at 7 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Level Plains. A reception will immediately follow in the church fellowship hall.

All friends and family are invited to attend.

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LBW students, front row, left to right: Suzanne Rhoades, Kiniston; Shea Free, Elba; Kerri Gwaltney, Oпп; back row, Jamie Hall, Zion Chapel; and Lance Jackson, Oпп.

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SPORTS

Views from

THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz

One of the worst chores that Daddy's have to do is burying family pets, and that was my job once again last week, when we lost Cisco, a nine-year-old cocker spaniel that died unexpectedly. The girls both shed big tears over the loss of the family pet, which survived two floods and numerous moves after having to relocate after being forced out of our homes by the high water in 1990 and 1998. Cisco barked at strangers, like dogs are supposed to do, but was always a friend to the kids, and will be missed. I hope it is a very long time before I have to perform that chore again!

CLEANING OFF THE DESK...

*** Ronald McKinnon held a football camp last week in Elba, and while the number of kids taking part was far less than hoped for, everyone involved had a good time, and it was hoped that next summer the camp will be much bigger and include a coaching clinic and a cook-out for the participants and their parents. Ronald is proud of being from Elba and has always made it clear that Elba is his hometown, no matter where he might live in the off-season. Next summer the plans for the camp will start much earlier and hopefully a lot of youngsters will take part in the "second annual" camp.

*** Elba's Josh Hodge was a member of the Coffee County American Legion baseball team this summer and recently completed his season in the Legion District Tournament. The '99 senior played in the outfield and pitched for the local Legion team, and last week drew the starting nod on the mound against the powerful team from Dothan. While Hodge and his teammates lost the game, and were eliminated from the tournament after only three games, it was a learning experience for the former Elba athlete, and it should pay dividends when he makes the step to the junior college ranks this fall.

*** The Travelers, an 18 and under girls softball team from Elba, stepped up several notches last weekend to compete in the ASA Women's State Softball Tournament, and managed to win one game in three tries before being ousted. The team began play Saturday morning around 9:15 after a rain-out Friday night, and played a total of 24 innings over the next three hours as the action was non-stop. The team lost a 9-8 heartbreaker in its opener to the third baseline, and proceeded to surprise a team from Montgomery 6-4, in a 10 inning game that capped the energy out of every player from both teams. After moving back to the first base dugout, the girls took a break mid-way through the game and proceeded 4-1, a team from Florence. The temperature was probably around 120 degrees on the red clay infiels, and the Elba girls played 24 straight innings without a break, stopping only long enough to swap dugouts and put down their bat bags. The outcome wasn't what the team hoped for, but it never quit and really played hard against some very good teams from across the state, and really hit the ball well.

*** It's hard to believe, but the high school football teams from all across the state will hit the field next week when the schools start their pre-season drills. The August 2 starting date is early, but since the season will kick-off on August 26, it really isn't that early for the players and coaches to get ready. The dog days of summer have been almost too much for anyone to handle, especially those that work outside, and I am sure the high heat index will keep practices to a minimum, at least as far as long workouts in the heat are considered. Hey folks, get ready for football; it's a lot closer than you think.

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The following employment procedures will be adhered to:

- An application may be received from, and submitted to, the Coffee County School System at the following address:

Coffee County Board of Education
400 Reddick Hill Road
Elba, Alabama 36323
(334)897-5016

- A complete application consists of a resume', an official application for employment, a copy of a valid Alabama teaching certificate, and a complete transcript of all college course work. Photocopies or faxed copies of application will not be accepted. If an application is currently on file, you must notify the Superintendent's Office in writing, of your interest in this position in order to be considered for an interview.
- Applications will be accepted through Monday, August 2, 1999 at 12:00 noon.
- Initial screening will be conducted by the principal.
- Interviews for selected applicants will be conducted by the principal and /or superintendent.
- The superintendent will make recommendations to the Board for action.
- All applicants interviewed will receive written notification of action taken regarding the vacancy applied for.

Duties: Duties as outlined in the Coffee County Schools' Board of Education policy manual.

Salary: Commensurate with experience and education as determined by Coffee County Schools' salary schedule.

The Coffee County Board of Education does not discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, age, or disability in any of its educational or employment programs or activities.

In preseason high school football poll

Brantley picked to repeat as 1A state champs

By Ricky Mularz

The Alabama Sports Writers Association released its preseason High School football poll last week, with five of last year's six state champions picked to repeat as champions in the 1999 season.

Opelika, which won an 11-1 record last season, was picked as the top team in Class 6A, while defending state champ Vestavia Hills was picked second. Three-time defending champion Blount was the pick in Class 5A, while one-time defending champion picked to enter their class is included Class 4A Deshler, Class 3A Brundrett Christian, Class 2A Southern Choctaw and Class 1A Brantley.

Following is the complete "Prep Preseason Football Rankings" in all six classes, and the records from the '98 season:

CLASS 6A

1 - Opelika (11-1), 2 - Vestavia Hills (10-0), 3 - Vicksburg (11-4), 4 - Brantley (11-2), 5 - Selma (10-1), 6 - Tuscaloosa Central (Phenix City), 7 - Thomasville (10-3). Also receiving votes were Benjamin Russell, Lee of Montgomery, Oxford, Huntsville, Decatur, Enterprise, Clay-Chalkville, CLASS 5A

1 - Blount (13-0), 2 - Elowah (11-4), 3 - Phenix City (11-3), 4 - Tuscaloosa Elmwood (11-3), 5 - Gabaldon (12-2), 7 - Wilcox Central (8-5), 8 - Eufaula (9-3), 9 - Opp (10-2), 10 - Russell County (10-1) and Walker County (10-0). Also receiving votes were Wetumpka, Parker, Jackson-Olin, Pinson Valley, Cullman, Demopolis, Alabaster, Fayette County, Hazel Green, McAdory, B.C. Rain, Charles Henderson, North Jackson, Exel, Vincent, Calhoun, Sulphur, Daleville, CLASS 4A

1 - Deshler (14-1), 2 - TR Miller (12-0), 3 - Phenix City (11-3), 4 - Shades Valley (12-2), 5 - Alma Bryant (12-1), 6 - Tuscaloosa (11-3), 7 - Tuscaloosa (11-3), 8 - Tuscaloosa (11-3), 9 - Tuscaloosa (11-3), 10 - Tuscaloosa (11-3), 11 - Tuscaloosa (11-3), 12 - Tuscaloosa (11-3), 13 - Tuscaloosa (11-3), 14 - Tuscaloosa (11-3), 15 - Tuscaloosa (11-3), 16 - Holt (9-2), 17 - Pelham (9-3), 18 - Jess Lamer (9-2), 19 - Pelham (9-3).

Also receiving votes were Tuscaloosa Central, of Phenix City, Benjamin Russell, Lee of Montgomery, Oxford, Huntsville, Decatur, Enterprise, Clay-Chalkville, CLASS 3A

1 - Brundrett (15-0), 2 - Aliceville (12-2), 3 - Randolph County (13-2), 4 - Springville (12-2), 5 - Montgomery Academy (11-2), 6 - Luverne (10-3), 7 - Gilbert County (8-5), 8 - Eufaula (9-3), 9 - Coopersburg (7-6), 10 - Lincoln (10-3), 11 - UMS-Wright (5-7). Also receiving votes were Locust Fork, Plainview, Good Hope, Gordo, Crossville, McIntosh, St. James, Trinity, Hanceville, Autaugaville, Madison, County, Mill Creek, Bear Creek.

CLASS 2A

1 - Brundrett (13-0), 2 - Parrish (14-1), 3 - Notasulga (13-1), 4 - Westbrook (Christian) (10-2), 5 - Sweet Water (8-2), 6 - American Christian (10-2), 7 - Coonland (7-6), 8 - Lynn (10-2), 9 - Florida (11-1), 10 - Frisco City (8-5). Also receiving votes were G.W. Long, Ragland, St. Jude, Carrollton, A.L. Johnson, Loachapoka, Verbena, Autauga County, Madison, County, Mill Creek, Bear Creek.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Lee finds blooms after 78 years of farming



by Linda Hodge, Staff Writer

If you walked out into the sweet potato patch at John Glen Lee's house these days, you might mistake the plants for rows of flowers.

Believe it or not, Lee's sweet potato plants are blooming!

"I've been planting sweet potatoes off and on for all my life," Lee

said. "But, this is the first time I've ever seen them bloom."

At age 78, most people would agree Lee is no stranger to farming. However, this year's crop is proof that you can still learn or see new things no matter how long you've been around.

When Lee discovered his rows of blooming sweet potatoes, he had his interest led him to the telephone

to make a call to the Coffee County Extension office. There, he said an agent informed him that although blooming is not an uncommon event, it is very seldom that a sweet potato does bloom. Lee added that the agent said he had also never seen a sweet potato bloom.

Just across the field, Lee said he has another patch of sweet potato plants which are following the pattern of growth he is used to seeing. They have no blooms.

So, where did these sweet potato plants, which offer more color to their plants than the common green, come from?

Lee's wife, Mary Alice, said they bought some sweet potatoes from a vegetable truck last year.

"They were very good sweet

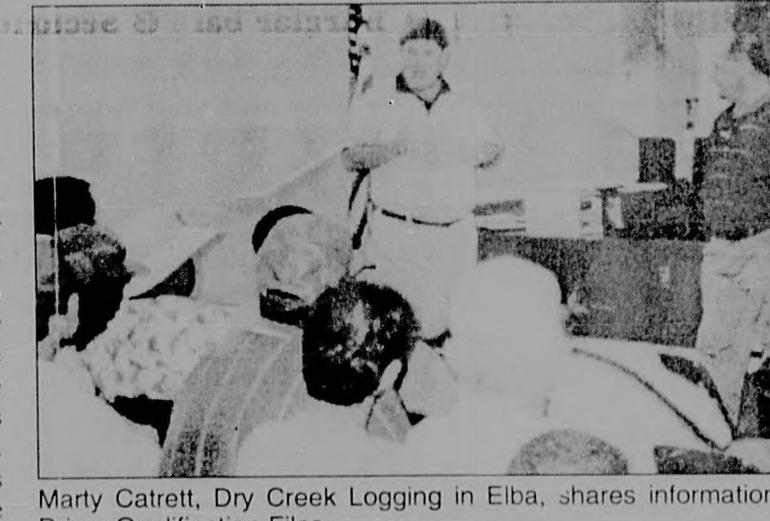
potatoes, so we didn't eat them all," Mrs. Lee said. "So, John Glen decided to keep them and plant them this year."

Not expecting to see anything different from the sweet potatoes he had planted for many years in the past, Lee planned the potato draws and waited. The plants emerged from the ground, and only recently did he realize that he had something special growing in his garden.

Of course, in the end, all Mr. and Mrs. Lee will have are "good ole" sweet potatoes that taste just like ours from the store, but like us, other than the fun and interesting thing about these sweet potatoes is that they'll just be a little more pleasurable to look at every time they walk through the garden. And, it will make a great story for telling all those who have heard about sweet potato blooms but never actually seen one.

You see...it may have taken Mr. Lee 78 years to see his first, but he now joins the select few who have had the experience of seeing the very seldom noticed...bloom of the sweet potato.

Log truckers focus on safety during workshop



Marty Garett, Dry Creek Logging in Elba, shares information on Driver Qualification Files.

On July 24, 54 log truckers from the Alabama Forestry Association's Driver Safety workshop at Wallace Technical College Ozark, Lt. James Byrd, retired Alabama Department of Public Safety and Jo Ann Steacy, Department of Transportation, have instructed over 300 log truck drivers statewide in professional driver skills this year for the forest products industry. The workshops are designed to improve driver skills and to teach drivers accident counter measures. According to Lt. Byrd, Alabama is one of the top five states in the nation for highway accidents. Statistics recently released by the Department of Public Safety show that 39 percent of drivers between ages 15 to 19 will be involved in a serious accident. "With accidents on the increase and changes in driving conditions, driver training can provide professional drivers the skills needed to prevent accidents," said Lt. Byrd.

Professional drivers have most requirements that include drug test-

ing, time of service, record keeping, and truck maintenance, that must be done to comply with the Federal Motor Carrier Guidelines.

The Log Truck Driver Safety Workshop teaches professional drivers their responsibility in these areas of safety and avoiding accidents. Every driver that participates in these workshops has a story to tell of an accident or near miss. Their experience is important in teaching profes-

sional drivers the skills.

The workshop in Ozark is the sixth driver training program this year for the Alabama Forestry Association. Loggers from the wiregrass area attending the workshop included: Blue Bell Logging, Money Logging, Faunt Trucking, R.M. Morris Logging, Wataford Logging, Rushing Trucking, Daniel and Son, Caldwell Logging, Skipper Hardwood, and Hudspeth Trucking.

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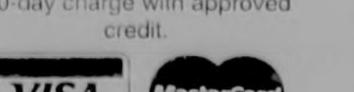
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Farm management equals record keeping tax management estate planning and investments

Stan Wimham County Extension Agent

Several months ago I did a column on the importance of good record keeping for the farm and how it can affect your profit and loss. In this column I would like to go a step further and talk about how record keeping is important to taxes, estate planning and investments.

Farmers are among the best managers in the world. They not only have to keep up with the day-to-day operations of their business, but also go on in the world around them. This is because farmers on a year-to-year basis market their products and the price of these products are dictated by a world market. However, there can be various concerns that they meet day to day in their home operation. There are four areas that are very important to not being a successful farmer but being prepared for present-day situations and what may come in the future.

The Extension System, bankers and many other farm-oriented groups have preached record keeping and management for years and years. One of the first things asked is "What is the best way to set up a ledger, whether it is on paper, in a computer, or in many cases set up in both. One of the first things to have on file or in a computer is farm agreements. This is a document that defines the ownership and the use of land, equipment, or any agreement that you have with an individual as it relates to your farm. Secondly, it is very important to have an inventory, be sure to inventory all of your stored crops, your breeding livestock, equipment, etc. This is also very important to have in any ledger book or computer. A year-to-year breakdown of what each crop or livestock enterprise costs you and what money you expect to receive on an annual-to-year basis. This helps you to forecast each year how much money you will need to make a go of your operation. Other items that should be included in any ledger book or computer are income and expense pages and financial summaries. Break your record keeping down by enterprise. In other words, if you have poultry, beef cattle, and peanuts know what each operation

did in the way of profit or loss and get some idea of what it takes in terms of time.

Tax planning and estate planning are absolutely essential to any farmer. Farmers have a bit more money than what you might think. This is particularly true if you have timber on the land. Other items that help increase land value are location, creek, water, and what you have made to the land in terms of roads, ponds and other aesthetic items. In order to be on the straight and narrow in terms of your tax and estate planning, I don't need to tell you how important it is to use a good accountant and attorney. You must understand your tax situation and your estate situation for the future. The Extension System offers a program called the Farm Analysis Association based out of Helena, Montana. Bob Lisee is the specialist in charge of this program. There are also many good individuals in private practice around the Wiregrass that YOU may also want to take a look at. Many of the local institutions working in connection with the Wiregrass Farm Analysis Association make for a very good planning effort.

Make sure that you understand how to maximize your money each year relative to your taxation and how to avoid any problems in the event of your death as it relates to your farm.

Another item that is greatly overlooked is as it relates to farm management. Some farmers and farm operations are investing outside money and doing a Teal job of it. However, I find that many farmers have not taken the time to take a look at different investment opportunities. There are many ways to invest your money. But, I would encourage you to take a look with an investment planner and have them help you to take a look at your finances. You may only have a very small amount of money but everyone started at some point.

In summary, look at your record keeping system, evaluate your tax and estate planning and take a look at maximizing the profits you receive from the money that you are able to invest.

Vitamin pills cannot solve nutritional problems

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Vitamin supplements can help people at risk for a vitamin deficiency. The problems come when people expect too much from a multivitamin supplement caused by poor eating habits. People are taking vitamin pills for the wrong reasons.

These people think they are not eating quite right. Perhaps they are busy and regularly miss meals, perhaps they are not eating enough for meals, or they are trying to lose weight and are cutting back on what they eat. They opt to take vitamin pills "just in case." They expect that the pills will help them maintain their health.

However, healthy Americans don't need vitamin pills. We get enough vitamins and minerals in the food we eat. In fact, it is the people who care enough to take vitamins that often also care enough to eat properly.

The U.S.D.A.'s Food Guide Pyramid provides a guide for daily food choices to meet nutritional needs. This guide is designed so one does not have to take pills or highly fortified foods in order to consumer adequate nutrients.

Vitamins are important to maintain good health. The history of research on vitamins is full of miracle cures related to vitamin deficiency. A few centuries ago, people died of diseases as beriberi, pellagra, and rickets, who could have been saved if they had consumed sufficient amounts of specific vitamins.

For those who have questions about vitamins, here's a tip: Take out a dose that is about 100 percent of the recommended dietary allowance. This is stated on the label as the RDA. The labels usually have information in gram or milligrams that the pill contains and as a percentage of the Recommended Nutrient Intake. Check the label and take only the amount that is about the 100 percent of the RDA.

As little as 10 times the recommended level can have ill effects, especially in children. The RDA on the label should be about 100 percent. If we take much more than 100 percent, there might be cause for concern. In some cases the label might indicate doses of up to 500 percent, but this is too much for most people. Megadosing for weeks or months can be toxic nutrient levels in the body.

There has been some publicity about large doses of vitamin C and colds, but there has been no conclusive research that it cures colds. The recommended dietary allowance of

Vitamin C is 60 milligrams. Taking larger amounts can damage internal organs and tissues.

There are segments of the population that do need additional vitamins. Below 10 percent of the population of adults over 50 have a diminished ability to absorb food bound vitamin 1312. They are at risk for anemia. Therefore the National Academy of Sciences recommends that adults over 50 eat 1312 fortified foods or take supplements to make sure they get enough of the vitamin.

Recent news stories focused on the fact that pregnant women must have enough folic acid in their diets to prevent neural-tube birth defects. The U.S.D.A. has required food and Drug Administration to require the addition of folic acid to refined grains labeled as enriched. This will increase the amount of folic acid available in foods such as pastas, breads, cereals, and white flour.

The RDA for folic acid (folate) for both adult men and women is 400 micrograms per day. The exceptions are women who could become pregnant. They take 400 micrograms per day of folic acid from fortified foods and/or supplements, regardless of the amount gained from eating a variety of foods. The total recommended amount of folic acid for pregnant women is 600 micrograms per day.

Nutrition specialists warn not to go overboard on taking B vitamins as they can cause health problems. For example, too much folic acid, more than 1 milligram (1000 micrograms) per day, can mask a vitamin B12 deficiency and result in permanent nerve damage.

If we choose to take vitamin pills, select those that contain more than one or two vitamins and minerals because nutrients work together. Nutrients work through complex interaction to function most effectively. If a crucial nutrient is missing from the diet, the others may not be able to carry out their functions.

The quickest way to good health is a nutritious diet. All the needed nutrients - vitamins and minerals - can be found in the food we eat. If we follow the recommendations of the Food Guide Pyramid, we consume the nutrients we need in the correct balance for them to work together. We have an abundance of choices at the grocery and in the restaurants where we eat. There is an abundance of information in the Food Guide Pyramid to help us select what we want to eat.

Area Code changes: FCC launches info consumer campaign by the Federal Communications Commission

In order to minimize confusion and answer consumer questions, FCC Chairman William E. Kennard has launched an area code consumer information campaign.

The campaign will explain to consumers the reasons for recent area code changes and how the FCC plans to significantly reduce the frequency of area code changes.

It is stressful, costly and often frustrating to have to switch to a new telephone area code. For most of this century, Americans were accustomed to homes and businesses with just one main telephone line.

Over the past two decades,

however, the use of wireless telephones, fax lines and internet access lines - each with their own number - has exploded and the pool of available numbers is quickly becoming exhausted.

Even small businesses often

have dozens of phone lines and

systems that are not now being used.

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numbers that will take us well into the next century. The need for a new system is pressing: of the 215 area codes now in use, over 70 may need new area codes within the next year or so.

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For more information, write the FCC, Public Service Division, 445 12th Street SW, Washington, D.C., 20554 or call 202-418-0190 or TTY at 202-418-2555.

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